

NEW TESTAMENT WRITERS

PETER

Pray: ask God to open your mind, soul and spirit to His teaching through His Word

Think: the questions are designed to expand your knowledge of God and His Word

Begin: using only your Bible, answer the questions* without other outside sources

**questions are based on New International Version (NIV)*

Lesson 15 • 1 Peter 3

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1. What truth, verse or insight from last week's study of 1 Peter 2 has been helpful to you?

2. To what do you think “in the same way” refers in **V1,7** (see chapter 2)?

3. In **V2**, what has more influence than anything a wife can say?

–Describe an experience you’ve had with being “won without a word”.

4. In **V4**, from where does Peter say our true beauty should come, and what are the characteristics of this beauty?

–How much time, money and thought do you spend on your external beauty routine versus cultivating a “gentle and quiet spirit”? Lookup the definition of both gentle and quiet to expand your response.

5. **V7** would have been a radical command to first century husbands. How is this verse radical in our current society?

–What is the blessing of a husband obeying the command in **V7**?

–What contemporary values do husbands and wives need to surrender to be obedient to God?

6. Think about the last time you felt insulted or the victim of evil. How did you respond?

–In **V9, 15–16**, how are you told to respond to evil or insult? Why? What benefits do we receive by doing so?

7. What is the definition of the word “suffer”(V17)?

–What encouragement do you find in **V10–12, 14** to help you as you suffer for what is right?

8. From **V15**, consider how you would answer if you were asked the reason for your hope; what would you say?

–What should be your attitude when you do respond?

9. For what did Christ die according to **V18**, and how did He respond to evil and insult? (See 2 Peter 2:23–24 and Isaiah 53:3–7)

10. According to **V20**, what story from the Old Testament is used to describe salvation?

–What does water baptism symbolize according to **V21**? See also Matthew 3:11

11. With 1 Peter 3 in mind, begin to form a prayer request to share with your Table Group on Wednesday.